

Nunhead Update  
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## Putting the village back into Nunhead

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### **Merry Christmas everyone**

December has arrived and with it the opening of 'Nunhead Corner' at 26 Nunhead Green. Pop in on Thursday 20 December between 11am and 2pm to say hello. We will have a small display and be there to talk about the projects. The newly refurbished premise will provide a local base for input on the regeneration programme over the next few months and will be open, to start with, every Tuesday from 15 January 2013.

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### **Shop Fronts**

As you know the shop front improvements will be delivered by Jan Kattein and his team.

[www.jankattein.com](http://www.jankattein.com)  
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Following an initial analysis of the village centre and looking at what some strategic options could be, Jan and Negin will be in contact with individual traders. We will make sure that information about the shop front programme is available to everyone through these monthly updates, displays in the pop up shop (see next item) web updates and a twitter feed.

As you are aware the project will predominantly focus on the shop frontages in Nunhead. However, we will be looking at the shopping parade in general to see what streetscape or other improvements could benefit everyone. As always there are budget constraints so additional works will be subject to funding.

We had a great response from shop owners to install festoon lighting with 22 shops on board. We have made the decision not to use the festoons on shops with illuminated signs or those that have already got lighting above their shop sign as the additional lighting would not be very effective. Unfortunately, everyone is exceptionally busy in the lighting business leading up to

Christmas and to get the best value for the works we have had to defer the lighting installation until January. Obviously, this misses the Christmas period but we still believe that the lighting will really brighten up the high street during the long winter nights and create the opportunity for lighting the shop fronts during festivals or on other special occasions.

### **Nunhead's Pop Up Shop: Nunhead Corner**

As mentioned Nunhead Corner has had a facelift and is now ready for business. So come along on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> December between 11am and 2pm for a little celebration with us. Initially, this premise will be used as a consultation base for all the Nunhead OLF projects to make it easy for you to find out what is happening and give your feedback on proposals.



As part of the website development a photographer, Mickey Lee, has been visiting Nunhead to capture its local personalities and attributes and we will be displaying some of these images in Nunhead Corner.

Next year the pop up will be available for a series of short term low cost lettings for business start ups, creative and local industries and community uses. We are continually hearing from people who are interested in using Nunhead Corner so it is set to become a vibrant addition to Nunhead!

As previously mentioned the idea is to set up a group to manage the space comprising representatives from various sectors of the community including Nunhead Voice and residents groups, traders, the festivals team, council representatives and other relevant parties. Please let me know if you would like to find out more and are interested in being involved in such a group.

### **The Green**

The design brief has been sent out to tender and we are waiting for a number of Landscape Architecture firms to respond. As plans develop you will be able to view and comment on them in Nunhead Corner. We will also undertake wider consultation within the local community on this project.

### **Lighting**

As previously reported the street lighting and bridge lighting have been ordered and will be installed during the winter of 2012/13.

## **Road Resurfacing**

The resurfacing of part of Evelina Road was managed by Southwark's Highways team and is now complete. The project has also upgraded the footpaths around the railway bridge to bring them up to a good standard.

Design of the drop kerbs on the northern footway of Evelina Road is being undertaken and I am waiting to confirm when the works can be programmed.

## **Signage and Notice Boards**

As previously reported the project team for Nunhead are looking at three initial locations for visitor signage for Nunhead to help people arriving in Nunhead to get between the station, the cemetery and the high street. We will also be looking at upgrading the community notice boards where possible.

## **Business Support Website**

The Nunhead website is being built and will feature events, community facilities and the retail offer of Nunhead. We are starting simple but making sure the fundamentals are right so that the website can grow in the future to accommodate people's needs. A lot of groups and businesses in Nunhead have their own website and we would like to include links to individual sites on the Nunhead Village site. Be sure to check out [www.lovenunhead.co.uk](http://www.lovenunhead.co.uk) we will have a holding page up and running by the end of the week.

Traders, if you have not yet sent through a brief paragraph about your business for us to include on the website please do so asap!

Free support and advice continues to be on offer for all traders in Nunhead through

[The Lewisham & Southwark Business Advice Service](#)

Whether you want to discuss your rent, rates, the contents of your lease, business plans, marketing and sales or want to win a new contract then our free support can help you.

Our advice team are happy to come to your premises.

Contact the team on 0800 032 0946 to book your appointment.

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## Bags for Life

The I ♥ Nunhead bags complete with their new map of the village will be available at Nunhead Corner on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Another reason to call in and say hello!

## Festivals

One of the key components of the OLF programme is to develop a festival business plan to build on the success that Nunhead enjoys through the film festival, the arts festival and the music offer of local venues. We are looking to explore options for a spring event which provides time to effectively organise and promote.

A brief has been sent out for tender and we are waiting for the tender responses.



Any questions or comments please get in touch

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